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Chapman, V.D.

JOINED.

Private J. E. Meyer joined the Corps on 6.4.16, is allotted Corps No. 1985 and is posted to Right Section M. G. Co. Private W. J. Jameson joined the Corps on 7.4.16, is allotted Corps No. 1986 and is posted to Scouts Co. (No. 1 Section). Private R. M. McJannet joined the Corps on 7.4.16, is allotted Corps No. 1987 and is posted to Scouts Company No. 3 Section. Private A. H. Bennett joined the Corps on 7.4.16, is allotted Corps No. 1988 and is posted to Scouts Company (No. 1 Section). Gunner L. S. Rapley joined the Corps on 7.4.16, is allotted Corps No. 1989 and is posted to No. 2 Section Artillery Battery.

PARADES FOR MONDAY, APRIL 10.
7.00 a.m. and 5.30 p.m.—Members of Signalling Section and other Signallers, as detailed in Signalling Section order dated 8.12.15, will parade at Headquarters.

5.30 p.m. No. 2 Section Scouts Co.—Inspection of arms, ammunition, equipment and uniform at Headquarters. Dress etc. Khaki drill jacket and shirt, great coat (rolled), puttees, brown boots, cap, rifle, sidearm, bag and Moore lamp practice at Headquarters.

5.30 p.m. No. 2 Section Scouts Co.—Inspection of arms, ammunition, equipment and uniform at Headquarters. Dress etc. Khaki drill jacket and shirt, great coat (rolled), puttees, brown boots, cap, rifle, sidearm, bag and Moore lamp practice at Headquarters.

PARADES FOR NEXT WEEK.

On the same days as this week, except Scouts Co. who will parade as follows:—Monday, 10th instant 5.30 p.m.—No. 2 Sec. M. G. Co. drill etc. at Headquarters. Wednesday, 13th instant 6.00 p.m. No. 1 Sec. M. G. Co. drill etc. at Headquarters. Thursday 13th instant 5.15 p.m. No. 4 Sec. M. G. Co. drill etc. at Headquarters. Friday 14th instant 5.15 p.m. No. 3 Sec. M. G. Co. drill etc. at Headquarters.

The Civil Service Co. will parade in marching order at 5.15 p.m. on Wednesday 12th April at Headquarters for O. C.'s inspection. Every member of the Co. including those exempted from attending drills and those belonging to Bolshoi Section, must attend. Dress: Khaki tunic, helmet, shorts, puttees, black boots full equipment with haversack, water bottle, messin, bandolier and gaiters rolled; rifle, bayonet and 150 rounds, ball from arms and ammunition before parade. At this parade two khaki shirts will be issued to each member of the Company.

In future the Artillery Battery will parade on the following days:—Fridays—Nos. 1 and 2 Sub-sections. Tuesdays—Nos. 3 and 4 Sub-sections.

DETAIL.

On duty until morning of 14th instant—E. K. V. R.

NEXT FOR DUTY.

April 14th Scouts Company, 15th Scouts Company, 18th Centre Section M. G. Co., 17th Civil Service Co., 18th No. 1 Section Art. Batty., 19th Left Section M. G. Co., 20th Right Section M. G. Co., 23rd No. 2 Section Art. Batty., 25th Scouts Company, 20th Scouts Company May 1st Scouts Co., 2nd Scouts Company, 3rd Centre Section M. G. Co., 4th Civil Service Co.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

DETAILED.

For being absent from the Colony without leave and for failing to arrange for the performance of Police duties during such absence, a P.C. of No. 3 Company is ordered 12 hours Cell's Duty at Central. For being late for Patrol Duty a P.C. of No. 2 Company is ordered 1 hour's drill.

PARADES.

Monday, April 10th.—Section 13 and 14, Ambulance Recruits, and Maxim Gunners. Tuesday, April 11.—All Crown Sergeants and Sergeants of Nos. 3 and 4 Companies under Company Sergeant Major.

Wednesday, April 12th.—Sections 13 and 14, Recruits and backbones of No. 2 Company, Ambulance Recruits, and Maxim Gunners. Thursday, April 13th.—Recruits of No. 1 Company.

DETAILED.

All Platoon and Section Commanders will attend at the D.S.P. office on Monday, April 10 at 5.30 p.m.

HOUSED PERIODS.

There will be a night ride on Monday, April 10th leaving Station at 8.30 p.m. Attendance optional.

NO. 2 SECTION.

No. 2 Section will parade in multi with rifles at Water Police Station at 5.45 p.m. on Tuesday April 11th.

STAFF.

Inspector Sirdar Khan will in future be considered a member of, and will attend all meetings of the Staff. He will continue to perform his usual Platoon duties.

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INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED will be held at the Hong Kong Club, on MONDAY the 10th day of April, 1916, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon when the Subjoined Resolution which was passed at an Extraordinary Resolution at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 25th day of March, 1916, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution:—

That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:— (a) That after the word "Company" in the 10th line of Article 110 the following words shall be added:— "The General Managers may also with the consent of the Consulting Committee pay such bonus or bonuses as the General Managers shall think fit."

(b) That the words "Bonus or Bonuses" shall be inserted immediately after the word "Dividend" in the 18th line of Article 110. (c) That the words "And bonuses" shall be inserted immediately after the word "Dividend" in the first line of Article 115.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1916. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. General Managers.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 5th April to MONDAY, the 10th April, 1916, both days inclusive. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. General Managers.

Hongkong, March 27, 1916. 477

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY LIMITED.

THE 27th ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 10th day of April, 1916, at 11.45 A.M. for the purpose of receiving a statement of Account and the report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1915 and declaring a Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 2nd April, to MONDAY, 10th April, 1916, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors. Hongkong, March 28, 1916. 483

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above Club will be held in the Club House, Happy Valley, on MONDAY, the 17th April, 1916, at 5.30 P.M. for the following purposes:—

To receive the Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915. To elect the Officers and Committee for 1916. To transact any other business. By Order, T. W. HILL, Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, April 7, 1916. 512

THE LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO. LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th day of April, 1916, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon when the subjoined Extraordinary Resolutions, which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 31st day of March, 1916, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions:—

(1) That it is desirable to re-construct the Company and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily and that Arthur Rylands, Esq., of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Chartered Accountant, be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of winding up and that Article 124 of the Company's Articles of Association be cancelled accordingly.

(2) That Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., the General Agents of the Company, be authorized and requested to execute all the necessary legal and other formalities in connection with the reconstruction of the Company in the Philippine Islands and in the Malayan Sugar Company (of which Messrs. Smith Bell & Co., Ltd., shall be appointed by agreement of the General Managers and the Liquidator) and to execute all the necessary legal and other formalities in connection with the reconstruction of the Company in the Malayan Sugar Company (of which Messrs. Smith Bell & Co., Ltd., shall be appointed by agreement of the General Managers and the Liquidator) and to execute all the necessary legal and other formalities in connection with the reconstruction of the Company in the Malayan Sugar Company (of which Messrs. Smith Bell & Co., Ltd., shall be appointed by agreement of the General Managers and the Liquidator).

(3) That the draft Agreement submitted to this meeting marked "A" and expressed to be made between this Company and the Liquidator of the one part and the Malayan Sugar Company of the other part and that the same is hereby approved and that the said Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized pursuant to Section 125 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 to execute all the necessary legal and other formalities in connection with the reconstruction of the Company in the Malayan Sugar Company (of which Messrs. Smith Bell & Co., Ltd., shall be appointed by agreement of the General Managers and the Liquidator) and to execute all the necessary legal and other formalities in connection with the reconstruction of the Company in the Malayan Sugar Company (of which Messrs. Smith Bell & Co., Ltd., shall be appointed by agreement of the General Managers and the Liquidator).

(4) That the said Liquidator be authorized to obtain advances from Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., of any money requisite upon such terms as he sees fit and to make arrangements if he thinks fit for Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., to continue managing the affairs of the Company on such terms as he thinks fit until the undertaking of the said Malayan Sugar Company pursuant to any Agreement entered into by virtue of Resolution No. 3.

Dated this 5th day of April, 1916. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. General Managers.

Hongkong, April 5, 1916. 513

INTIMATIONS

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited, will be held at the Head Office of the Company, No. 4, Cornhill Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 18th day of April, 1916, at 12.30 P.M. for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing as an Extraordinary Resolution the following Resolution, that is to say:— "That the name of the Company be changed to the 'British Traders' Insurance Company, Limited.'"

Should the above Resolution be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this Seventh day of April, 1916. By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.

Hongkong, April 7, 1916. 517

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 18th April, 1916, at 12.15 P.M. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statements of account to 31st December, 1915, and of declaring Dividends &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8th April to 18th April, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.

Hongkong, April 7, 1916. 518

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 18th April, 1916, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with the statements of account to 31st December, 1915, and of declaring Dividends &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 8th April to 18th April, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager.

Hongkong, April 7, 1916. 519

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NOTICE.

THE Company regrets that owing to the increased cost of materials, it is compelled to make the following alterations in the terms of business:— The price of gas for all purposes will be raised to \$2.50 per 1,000 cubic feet as from the 1st April.

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Hongkong, April 1, 1916. 495

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Hongkong, March 30, 1916. 628

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COMMERCIAL

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor in their weekly share report dated 7th inst. say:— One market opened brisk in the beginning of the week, but suffered a lull on Wednesday. Strength has again appeared, and a fair volume of business has resulted.

Regarding Docks, which, as indicated last week, had a very sharp rise, following on the stranding of the "Chiyo Maru," owing to various rumours as to the chances of getting this ship off the market fluctuated rather violently, a heavy drop being the result, but at the close there is a feeling of more confidence, and buyers are again in evidence.

The Shanghai Settlement passed off satisfactorily, and the market there appears to be steady. Shanghai Docks being again in favour, with practically no shares forthcoming from the North. Rubber is quoted 3s. 4d. per lb. market firm.

Indo-China S.N. Co., Ltd.—As it is possible that the Transfer Books of the above Company may be closed at the time of the local April settlement, we take this opportunity of warning our constituents that we cannot be responsible for the collection of dividends and that it is advisable to have all shares transferred into their names "in good time."

Banks.—Hongkong Banks have sagged away further to a selling rate of 90, following on the firmness in Exchange, which is universally expected to go a good deal higher.

Marine Insurances.—Unions have come to business at \$1,000, and Canton continue in demand at \$425. North China at 11s. 18d and Yangtze at 900. are unchanged from last week.

Fire Insurances.—China Fire are wanted at \$107 and Hongkong Fire are a quiet market at \$99 ex div.

Shipping.—Douglases are a steady market at \$133 and Preferred Indos have again come to business at \$51. Deferred Indos have been quoted off and on at \$130 during the week, the closing quotation being \$120 1/2 buyers. Star Ferries are offering at \$41 and Steamships have sagged away to a selling rate of \$23. Waterbores could be placed at \$14.

Refineries.—China Sugars have suffered a further fall, and are now quoted \$127, sellers for cash with business done at this rate for April. Lanes are out of favour at \$36 ex dividend.

Oils and Mining.—Langkats are wanted in the North at 3s. 30 ex dividend. Rango are quiet at 3s. 30. Ural Chaps are offering at 25s. Tenochs at 36s. 6d. are without feature. Shells are offering at 98s. with no business reported.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Rowland Wharves have had a sharp rise to 97 1/2 buyers with no sellers in evidence. Hongkong Docks are quoted \$124 buyers. Shanghai Docks have again advanced to a buying rate of 11s. 80. Hongkong Wharves at 11s. 90 and New Engineering at 11s. 104 are unaltered.

German Peace Terms.—The Exchange Telegraph Co's Washington correspondent on the 7th inst. says the following as the German peace terms which Colonel House was authorized to submit to President Wilson:—The restoration of German colonies, no indemnities by either side, "autonomous" Poland, Serbia, Montenegro and Albania to be partitioned between Austria-Hungary and Bulgaria. Greece and Turkey to be freed from British influence. Russia to control Estria. Germany to evacuate the occupied portions of Belgium and France and Great Britain to be neutral.

The representative of the German Government stated that Colonel House also reported the stipulations of the peace to consist of:—

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NOTICE.

DURING Mr. LAURENCE'S absence Mr. F. W. S. EVANS will be in charge of the Hongkong Branch of our Business.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co. Hongkong, April 5, 1916. 501

NOTICE.

WE have this day admitted Mr. ALFRED EDGEMORE as Partner in our Business of Ship, Freight, & Coal Brokers and Commission Agents. SNOOWMAN & Co. Hongkong, April 1, 1916. 493

NOTICE.

THE NATIONAL BENEFIT LIFE & PROPERTY ASSURANCE CO., LTD. (ESTABLISHED 1890).

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BOTELHO BROS. Alexandria Building, Hongkong, April 5, 1916. 502

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Hongkong, April 3, 1916. 496

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT, MACAO.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that on the 25th April next, at 2 p.m., in the office of the above Department, before the Committee referred to in Article 102 of the Decree of 21st November, 1913, and in the presence of the Director of the Naval Yard and Chief Engineer of the gunboat Patria, public tenders will be received for the supply of coal to be used in the several public establishments of this province during the year 1916. The above tenders to be enclosed in sealed envelopes. The qualities of the coal preferred are as follows:—

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Financial Department, Macao, April 5th, 1916.

The Chief of the Financial Department, Macao, April 5th, 1916.

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HIGH FREIGHT RATES AND FAR
EAST TRADE.

REPORT BY THE U.S. CONSUL IN
HONGKONG.

WASHINGTON, February 28th.
Various lines of trade in the Far East
are being seriously hampered by the great
increase in freight rates on practically all
lines between the Orient and Europe and
the United States, according to a recent
report by United States Consul General
George E. Anderson at Hongkong.

Formal announcement has been made
of a 30 per cent. advance in the rates
between the Far East and the eastern
coast of the United States by way of the
Suez Canal, and shippers have been
informed by the Pacific conference lines
of a similar advance soon to become
effective for trans-Pacific traffic.
While the temporary closing of the
Panama Canal is said by shipping people
to have had some influence upon this
increase, says Consul General Anderson
in his report, "the plain facts seem to
be that ships are needed in other parts
of the world to such a degree that they
will be taken from the Far Eastern run
unless the rates announced can be
obtained and ships be filled at such
advanced rates."

It is known, says the consular
report, "that there are unusually large
rice crops in Indo-China, Siam and
Burma, and the demand for tonnage for
the movement of this crop has stiffened
freights both locally and in world service.
There is, in fact, no element in the
situation promising any weakening in
the demand for vessels. Norwegian ship-
owners, who in some respects reflect best
the general position of shipowners the
world over, are refusing to let their ships
on less than two years' time charter at
rates which are very high, to say the
least. While, for instance, the Nippon
Yusen Kaisha, the chief Japanese line
concerned in European and American
trade, is maintaining a service of eleven
liners and four additional ships, together
with six other ships which return to the
Far East by way of New York, there is
a scarcity of tonnage for Europe at
present, and many commodities which
can move generally at comparatively low
freights only are held up in Far Eastern
ports."

"The most serious phase of the situa-
tion is the effect the high rates are having
upon business generally," the report
continues. "A very large share of
Chinese produce for the United States—

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goods material in value for their bulk—
raw materials, particularly of the class in
which German firms have succeeded in
building up a good trade in recent years,
cannot be moved under present freight
rates. This not only reduces exports
from the Far East, but at the same time
reduces the buying power of the Chinese
people materially, and affects import trade
just as seriously.

Under normal conditions this situa-
tion would right itself in time, but at
present no reduction in freight rates can
be justified here so long as there is a
demand for vessels elsewhere at high
rates. The situation is particularly
unfortunate for American trade, which
consists so largely of goods in both import
and export lines in which freight rates
are a dominating factor. The export
trade in flour, lumber and machinery,
particularly, will be affected.

As a result of the difficulty in
securing transportation, the rubber and
almagum industries in some parts of the
Philippines are reported seriously
embarrassed, and many of the natives face
financial destruction. Shipments of beans
and similar goods from North China and
Japan to Europe are practically impossible
at present rates. The export of coal from
Japan and Indo-China is reduced fully
10 per cent. by the high cost of freight
alone.

The large shipyards of Hongkong,
under certain conditions, can build ships
as cheaply as any yards in the world.
Usually the necessity of obtaining much
of the steel plate work from abroad, since
steel is not produced here, serves to
counteract many of the advantages the
industry has otherwise in Hongkong, but
in spite of this and the fact that much
of the steel now obtained in Hongkong
is bought at high freight rates and in
competition with American yards, the
Hongkong yards are now building ships
in competition with the shipyards of

Europe, and are building them as cheaply
as the cheapest. All the shipyards in
Hongkong capable of building ocean
vessels have work to their full capacity.

In the two larger Hongkong yards
fourteen new vessels are now under con-
struction or to be constructed as soon as
room for them can be made. These
vessels include three new ships for the
Blue Funnel Line's Straits Steamship
Company's extension and three new ships
for the China Navigation Company's coast
service between Shanghai and Hongkong,
at the yard of the Takoo Dockyard and
Engineering Company. At the yard of
the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Com-
pany (Ltd.), six new ships are being
built for Messrs. Brunckner, Kjellerud and
Co., of Drammen, Norway, and two for
Messrs. Hans Kiser and Co., of the same
place. Two other vessels of the same
class will be started as soon as room can
be made for them and three others are
contracted for. There are also under
construction two vessels for the Siam
Steamship Company. All these new
vessels are being built in addition to a
large amount of work in the overhauling
and repair of old vessels, the task in some
instances approaching in importance the
construction of new vessels.

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CORSET MAKING.

The following account taken from the
"New York Herald" will be read with
interest and amusement:—

Mayor Mitchell was the principal guest
last night at the ninth annual dinner of
the Corset Manufacturers' Association in
the Caspades ballroom of the Biltmore.
The three hundred members at the pub-
licly represented conference that do a busi-
ness of \$50,000,000 a year. Daniel Kops,
president of the organization, in introduc-
ing William A. Marble as toastmaster for
the evening, declared that in achieving
their success they had the one great help
they never had counted upon—the beau-
tifully formed women of America.

"Before the European war," said Mr.
Kops, "our women went to foreign coun-
tries, and the women there, seeing the
beautiful forms of the Americans, de-
manded to know what makes of corsets
they wore. So now we are selling our
corsets in every country where corsets
are worn."

Just as Mr. Marble arose to speak
Colonel L. M. Ullman jumped to his feet
and, lifting his glass, thundered:—

"Let us drink to the American
woman."

"For she's a jolly good fellow," and
so say we all of us," came from various
parts of the room, sung in various tones.

Mr. Marble asserted that the corset
manufacturers' organization was one of
the greatest philanthropic institutions in
the world.
"Your activities are devoted to keeping
women straight," said Mr. Marble, "and
your representatives are constantly travel-
ling from the frozen lakes of the north
to the torrid seas to see to it that not
alone the women of our country but the
women of every country are properly
provided with fitting surroundings."

Mr. Mitchell was introduced as the
manager of the biggest business in the
United States. The Mayor congratulated
the organization on having one of the
essential industries of the world.

POTENTIALITIES OF THE
PHILIPPINES.

Mr. Harold M. Pitt writes in the number
of the Philippine Merchants' Association
Review:—"The total value of the exports
from Hawaii to the United States reaches
to the neighborhood of \$50,000,000, or
\$100,000,000 a year, which about equals
the entire export trade of the Philippine
Islands. The population of Hawaii is
\$90,000, and of the Philippines, in excess
of 8,000,000. There is nothing produced in
Hawaii for the growth of which these islands
are not well adapted. If the Philippines
were as highly developed as Hawaii and
produced as much per capita for export,
instead of \$100,000,000 (which is about the
present figure, our exports would reach the
enormous figure of \$24,000,000,000
annually. Large capital for the promotion
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among the people, would be necessary to
this end, but it is not beyond the range of
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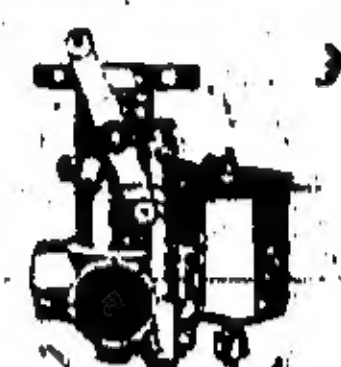
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THE DIARY.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

 9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by s.s. "Taiwan".
 Mixed Fourmies Competition at Deep Water Bay.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

 11.30 a.m.—H.K. Rope Co's. Extraordinary Meeting.
 11.45 a.m.—Green Island Cement Co's. Meeting.

General Memoranda.

Tuesday, April 11.—
 2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Crockery, Pianos etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.
 2.30 p.m.—Auction of two baby Tigers at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.
 Wednesday, April 12.—
 8.30 p.m.—Social Gathering in the Lecture Hall, Union Church.
 Thursday, April 13.—
 5.15 p.m.—Children's Theatrical Performance at Mt. Austin Theatre.
 Saturday, April 15.—
 3.15 p.m.—First Gymkhana of the Season.
 9.15 p.m.—Children's Theatrical Performance at Mt. Austin Theatre.
 Sunday, April 16.—
 Palm Sunday.
 Monday, April 17.—
 5.30 p.m.—Annual Meeting of the Royal H.K. Golf Club.
 Tuesday, April 18.—
 Noon—Union Ince. Society's Meeting.
 12.15 p.m.—China Traders Ince. Co's. Meeting.
 1.07 p.m.—Full Moon.
 Thursday, April 20.—
 Maundy Thursday.
 Friday, April 21.—
 Good Friday.
 Public Holiday.
 Saturday, April 22.—
 Public Holiday.
 Sunday, April 23.—
 Easter Day.
 St. George's Day.
 Monday, April 24.—
 Public Holiday.

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DEATH.

PHILIP—On March 4, ALICE ISABEL, daughter of late GEORGE PHILLIPS, H.B.M.'s China Consular Service.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, April 8, 1916.

THE SECESSION OF KWANGTUNG.

We cannot profess to be greatly surprised that the province of Kwangtung has definitely declared its independence of the Peking Government. Nobody need be surprised at anything that happens in China. YUAN SHIH KAI came out of his retirement in 1911 to champion the cause of the Manchu dynasty, and six months afterwards he was proclaimed President of the Republic of China; only to veer round again some four years later to monarchical views and come within an ace of becoming enthroned as Emperor of China. General LUNG CHAI KWONG of Canton has been one of YUAN SHIH KAI's most trusted henchmen. He came to Canton in 1913 at the head of an Army of Yunnanese troops to suppress a revolt in the province against the Government of YUAN SHIH KAI, and to cancel the proclamation of the independence of the province. To-day we have General LUNG doing precisely the thing which he condemned when done by his predecessor scarcely three years ago. In the copy of the communication sent by General LUNG to H.B.M.'s Consul-General at Canton on Thursday the reasons which have induced him to forswear his allegiance to President YUAN SHIH KAI are briefly stated. "He has been respectfully urged by the gentry, merchants, literati and others of Canton to proclaim independence in order to avoid the horrors of war and to preserve peace." General LUNG himself knows best whether the horrors of war could only be avoided by a declaration of independence. It appears that for some days previously there had been a telegraphic correspondence between General LUNG of Kwangsi and General LUNG of Canton, and finally there was a meeting attended by about a hundred representative men at the Chang-chun's yamen when the situation was discussed for three hours, ending in a decision to declare the independence of the province. General LUNG being unanimously elected Tutuh, we can appreciate and sympathise with the very natural desire to be spared the horrors of war, and we presume the independence of the province would not have been proclaimed if it appeared to the authorities in Canton likely that it would save the province from war with Yunnan and Kwangsi troops only to involve it in a war with northern troops. What northern troops were at Canton were removed, we understand, to Whampoa before the proclamation of independence was issued. The plain meaning of the secession of the province is that YUAN SHIH KAI is no longer acceptable as Chief Executive. We gather that Tsun

CHUN HSUAN, a former Viceroy of Canton, is much favoured by the revolutionaries for the position. The idea seems to be that on YUAN SHIH KAI's relinquishment of the office the Vice-President, LI YUEN HUNG, should fill the position till the Parliament has been convened and duly elected a successor to YUAN. In the South, as we have said, the successor indicated is TSUN (more generally known to foreigners a few years ago as Viceroy SHUN). It will be recalled that when the second revolutionary outbreak occurred in 1913 he came to Canton as the Generalissimo of the rebel army, but finding that the chances of success were small, he fled to Hongkong and subsequently to the Straits Settlements, where he has since remained. Whether he would prove acceptable to the country as a whole is an open question. In the North, in the event of YUAN's retirement, the candidate favoured for the position would appear to be TUAN CHU YU, who is in close touch with LIANG CHI CHIAO and the rest of the Northern Republicans, and has been already marked out as the Premier *ad interim* pending the convocation of the former parliament. In the circumstances we shall have some time to wait for a settlement in China which will give promise of a peace of long duration.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The United States cruiser Brooklyn, a ship of the Asiatic Fleet, with Admiral Winterhalter on board, arrived at Shanghai last week.

A number of foreign dealers have been offered the gold and silver vessels offered for sale by the Taing Imperial House. It is expected that a large sum of money will be realised, says the "Peking Herald".

An extraordinary general meeting of the Yaw-Chin-Japan Club was called for the 20th ult. with the object of asking the shareholders' consent to increase the share capital by £2,000,000, with a view to the execution of the plans for new lines including a communication with San Francisco.

It has been proposed to hold a Dog Show in Hongkong about the middle of next month and dog-owners interested are requested to attend a meeting to be held at the Astor House Hotel at 5.30 p.m. on Monday next the 10th inst., when the necessary preliminary arrangements will be made.

At 4.45 p.m. on April 1st, while off the Kienyeu Wharf at Shanghai an explosion of the gas line of the motor launch belonging to the U.S.S. Galveston damaged the boat. There were four or five men in her at the time, who were rescued by a sampan and were eventually taken off by their own launch.

A Peking paper states that a bonfire was made on the 29th ult. of all this important despatches and documents in the archives of the Ministries relating to the recently discussed Empire. A set of eight hundred and forty precious papers were committed to the flame in one of the courtyards of the New Forbidden Ground.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

Anonymous	...	£ 25
Mrs. W. D.	...	10
A. Mackenzie	...	10
C. E. Richardson	...	10
W. J. Trenchard	...	10
J. F. Miller	...	10
M. D. Gossard	...	10
A. Mohr	...	10

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

It is notified in to-day's *Gazette* that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. J. W. Frank to be Assistant Superintendent of the Special Police Reserve.

Mr. Roy Anderson, a foreign adviser to the Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce, is reported to have severed his connection with the Chinese Government in order to join a private firm.

The engagement is announced of Julian I. Piggott, A.D.C. to G.O.C. 41st Division younger son of Sir Francis Piggott, late Chief Justice of Hongkong, and Lady Piggott, Ewhurst, Surrey, and Miss Nancy Howard, second daughter of Ernest Howard and step-daughter of Mrs. Ernest Howard, The White House, Heath End, Farnham.

The marriage arranged between Bruce Paddicombe, of the Chinese Customs, Canton, only son of the late Francis Morgan Paddicombe, Surgeon, R.N., and Mrs. Paddicombe, 10, Regency Mansions, St. Leonard's Square, and grandchild of the late Chas. Colson, C.B., of the Admiralty, and Lydia, daughter of the late Hon. David and Mrs. Glyn, of South Africa, will take place at Hongkong on Monday next.

THE INDEPENDENCE OF KWANGTUNG.

GENERAL LUNG'S COMMUNICATION TO H.B.M.'S CONSUL-GENERAL.

We have received from the Colonial Secretary the following copy of a communication sent by the Governor of Kwangtung to His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General at Canton:

Canton, April 6th, 1916.

General Lung presents his compliments to His Majesty's Consul-General at Canton and has the honour to state that he has been respectfully urged by the gentry, merchants, literati and others of Canton to proclaim independence in order to avoid the horrors of war and to preserve peace.

General Lung has been unanimously elected Tutuh of Kwangtung to carry on the Government. With a view to the maintenance of order in this district General Lung has no option but to accede to the request of these bodies.

He has accordingly proclaimed independence to-day and has given instructions to all civil and military authorities to give thorough protection in accordance with the Treaty to all foreign merchants, missionaries and others in this Province.

The proclamation of the independence of Kwangtung on Thursday evening was followed by a general explosion of fireworks for several hours. Telegrams were dispatched to the various local governments throughout the province intimating the change and ordering the white flag to be hoisted.

THE YUE HING OPIUM COMPANY.

APPEAL TO PRIVY COUNCIL GRANTED.

Application was made in the Full Court this morning, before Sir Wm. Rees Davies, and Mr. Justice Gomperts for leave to appeal to His Majesty in Privy Council from the judgment of the Full Court in favour of a petition to wind up the Yue Hing Opium Company.

Mr. G. C. Alister for the appellants (instructed by Mr. Beavis of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist's office) made the application on behalf of the Company. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C. (instructed by Mr. A. H. Crew of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings office) appeared on behalf of the respondents Sun Fat Shan and the Official Receiver.

The proceedings were purely formal. Mr. Sharp remarking that he believed the application was in order.

The application was granted.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION.

FIRST AID EXAMINATION.

At an Examination in First Aid recently held at the Royal Naval Hospital by Surgeon-General Hoskyn, R.N., the following candidates from the Italian Convent were successful:

Miss Isabel del Campo.
 Miss Antonia Campo.
 Miss Esther Carvalho.
 Miss Celeste Castro.
 Miss Eva Chao.
 Miss Gloria Lee Chang.
 Miss Helen Clarke.
 Miss Bertha Gorn.
 Miss Carrie Gorn.
 Miss Alice Lay.
 Miss Leonilda Remedios.
 Miss Florence Reever.
 Miss Maria Rosa.
 Miss Mercedes da Silva.
 Miss Violet Tan.
 Miss Emily Turner.
 Miss Beatrice White.

The following passed the Junior First Aid Examination:

Miss Bertha Carvalho.
 Miss Mary Jo Garrod.
 Miss Louisa Gil.
 Miss Dorothy Morris.
 Miss Louisa Box.
 Miss Antonia Siao.

Dr. W. V. M. Koch acted as Honorary Lecturer to the Class. There were no failures at this Examination, and the Hon. C. E. Richardson, the practical work was particularly well done.

GERMAN PRISONERS' BARRACKS IN JAPAN DESTROYED.

A fire broke out in the German Prisoners' Camp at Osaka on the morning of the 28th ult. Fifteen blocks of buildings were entirely destroyed. Seven prisoners were slightly injured while they were rendering assistance in putting out the fire. In addition, a German and an employee were slightly injured.

CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Banks	765 1/2
Sugars	127 1/2
Indos (Del.)	100 1/2
Wharves	77 1/2
Docks	129 1/2
Douglases	124 1/2
Shui Docks	82 1/2

THE FORTY-YEAR TEST.

An article must have exceptional merit to survive for a period of forty years. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was first offered to the public in 1874. From a small beginning it has grown in favour and popularity to such an extent that it is now a household name. It is a remedy for all coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, and all other respiratory troubles. It is a remedy for all who are afflicted with these troubles. It is a remedy for all who are afflicted with these troubles. It is a remedy for all who are afflicted with these troubles.

WEDDING AT HONGKONG.

BROWN-STEVENS.

At the Union Church this morning the wedding was solemnized of Mr. Charles Brown, eldest son of the Rev. Charles Brown, D.D., Farme Park Chapel, Crouch End, London N. to Miss Ellen Victoria Stevens, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stevens of Crouch End, London.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald performed the ceremony. The bride, who was given away by Mr. F. Maitland, wore a dress of cream crepe de chine, and silk net, and carried a bouquet of roses, arum lilies, and maiden hair fern, tied with broad white satin ribbons. She was attended by one bridesmaid (Miss Annie Miller) and two page (Masters Jackie and Kenneth Chapman). The bridesmaid's dress was of pale blue, with a hat to match and she carried a basket of pale pink roses; the pages wore cream. Kate Greenaway suits. Mr. W. C. Bond attended the bridegroom as best man.

The service at the Church was fully choral. Mr. E. J. Chapman presiding at the organ. The hymns "O Father, all creating" and "O Perfect Love" were sung, and the organ played the Bridal March from Lohengrin, Intermezzo by Rollins, and Mendelssohn's Wedding March.

The reception was held at "Nettlewood", Robinson Road, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. Maitland, and was attended by many friends who extended to the happy couple their felicitations.

The honeymoon is being spent at Macao. The bride's going-away costume was of tulle silk, with hat to match, trimmed with pale pink flowers and narrow Sara-blue ribbon.

LAUNCH AT TAIKOO DOCK YARD.

To-day there was successfully launched from the Tai Koo Dockyard, the s.s. *Kajang*, built for the Straits Steamship Co., Ltd., of Singapore; the naming ceremony being gracefully performed by Miss Elkins. The *Kajang* measures 238 feet long over all, 41 feet beam, and 21 feet 9 inches moulded depth, and is constructed of Siemens-Martin steel to Owners' standards. A double bottom is fitted, amidships, suitable for water ballast or oil, the forward and after peaks being similarly arranged. Accommodation for a few passengers has been provided in a house amidships and on the bridge deck, the captain, officers and engineers being accommodated on the bridge and boat decks, and the native crew on the upper deck. The cargo handling arrangements are most up-to-date, eight steam winches and six steam cranes being fitted to ensure rapid handling of cargo.

The machinery consists of one set of triple-expansion engines of the builders' own make, having cylinders 18", 27" and 43" diameter with 53 inches stroke, steam being supplied by two multibore boilers also constructed by the Tai Koo Dockyard.

The sister ship "Kamurang" will be launched at an early date.

Mr. Sleight, of Messrs. A. Holt & Co., is supervising the construction of these vessels.

ECONOMY IN SLEEP.

Twelve hours' sleep a week is an economy that even Thoreau would hardly have suggested in the most economical of his Walden days. Yet this is the allowance which Mr. William Aird finds ample to keep him fit. And he looked very fit indeed when he lectured the other day to a select audience at No. 3, The Boltons, the house of Mrs. Drew, Lord Gladstone's sister.

But he is not only an economist in sleep. He is economical in food, and he has done it all in a search for perfect health. His sleep has been taken up in a regular and lying in the open air in such places as the New Forest, the Forest of Dean, and the chalk Downs. There, with the animals for company, he has lived on uncooked vegetables for food. What he has not eaten he has drunk. He has not eaten any meat, but fresh ripe fruit and uncooked vegetables have provided him not only with ample sustenance, but also with health and strength.

Having discovered these facts by experiment, and having experienced their full value, he was anxious to communicate his knowledge to other, who, even when pronounced by doctors to be incurable, could win their way back to robust life by following his example. He showed a sample of his dinner. It consisted of a few ounces, some watercress, a little cabbage, carrot, celery, beetroot, lent, parsnip, and horse-radish—very little of any of them—mixed into a dairy-looking salad in a glass dish. He compared this with what he called "an unpalatable mess" of cooked vegetables.

"I have had on a plate beside his dinner," Lady Tyrrell, who had organised the meeting, gave testimony to the efficacy of Mr. Aird's treatment, and brought with her a number of men and women who had once been "incurable," and are now well and fit.

A PARENT'S DUTY.

YOUR boy is always getting scratched or cut or bruised. "Dinner-time" always has a heated all-right-to-see-she always will. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain-Expeller and see. It's the only remedy that's sure to stop the pain. It's the only remedy that's sure to stop the pain. It's the only remedy that's sure to stop the pain.

NEW CHINA MAIL SHIP.

STEAMER "VICTORIA" BOUGHT FOR TRANS-PACIFIC TRADE.

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SPORTING.

HONGKONG TENNIS.

LAST EVENING'S MATCHES.

The chief attraction in the games played in connection with the Hongkong C. C. Tennis Club, last evening, was a mixed doubles handicap between Mrs. Armstrong and Mr. Phillips and Miss Wilkinson and Mr. C. H. Dodwell. The attendance was in advance of the night previous, but the match did not produce anything approaching first class play. Mrs. Armstrong was very reliable but both her and her partner found the handicap too heavy. Dodwell played with persistence and did much effective work at the net. Throughout the game was hotly contested. Dodwell and Miss Wilkinson won the preliminary set by 6-1 after the first game had gone to their opponents. The second set opened well for Phillips and Mrs. Armstrong who rallied to the attack and secured the first four games. Then Dodwell and Miss Wilkinson showed an improvement and with clever play made the score equal. Each side then scored three alternative games. Dodwell and Miss Wilkinson played carefully and won two games making the result 4-8 in their favour.

HANDICAP SINGLES 'A'.

W. J. Morrison (res 3/8) beats C. W. Savell (res 15/3) 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.
 S. E. Green (res 30) beats A. White (res 2/6) 6-3, 6-2.

HANDICAP SINGLES 'B'.

Lindsay Woods (scr.) beats Leigh Bennett (res 15/3) 6-0, 8-6.

VETERANS' HANDICAP.

Horn Mr. D. Landale and C. E. H. Beavis (res 2/6) beat C. Thorne and J. R. Greaves (scr.) 6-7, 6-4, 6-1.
 Dr. Koch and H. W. Slade (res 3/8) beat R. E. O. Bird and A. H. Crook (scr.) 7-5, 6-4.

OTHER CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.

H. A. Nisbet beats H. J. Varney 6-3, 6-0, 6-3.

MATCHES FOR MONDAY.

OVER CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES.
 H. A. Nisbet vs. Ng Sze Kwong 4.30 p.m.
 Green and Claxton vs. Dodwell and S. Thompson.

VETERANS' HANDICAP.

Hastings and Lafrantz (res 2/8) v. Hodge and Robertson (res 15/1) 4.45 p.m.

COLLEGE SPORTS.

ST. STEPHEN'S ANNUAL FUNCTION.

The annual sports in connection with St. Stephen's College were held yesterday, there being a large number of students present including many "old boys." The officials were:

The sports officials were as follows:—
 Patron: The Ven. Archbishop of Hongkong. President: Rev. W. E. Hewitt. Judges: Messrs. E. G. Stewart, Rev. W. T. Featherstone, Wei Wing Lok, Ling Hing Ming, Rev. O. B. Shann, Starters: Rev. E. W. Martin, Lieut. J. P. Jones. Time-keepers: Messrs. C. Gerken, Wei Wing Lok, Treasurer: Mr. C. Gerken. Hon. Secretary: Mr. Kwong Hing. Hon. Assistant Secretary: Mr. Ng Shu Hing. Chairman of Committee: Mr. F. A. Britton. The band of the 74th Punjab's rendered enjoyable music during the afternoon, and refreshments were served. The sports were very successful.

LADIES RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THIRD DAY'S SHOOT.

The following are the names of the winners at the 75 yards range on Friday the 7th April 1916.

75 YARDS SCRATCH COMPETITION.
 10 Rounds. Highest Possible 100.
 1st Miss Loureiro 95
 2nd Mrs. Griffin 93

75 YARDS HANDICAP COMPETITION.
 10 Rounds. Highest Possible 100.
 Net. Total with Handicap.
 1st Miss Lammet 90 98 23
 2nd Mrs. Murray Scott 91 98 07

AGGREGATE PRIZES.

For Highest Net Aggregate Score at 25, 50 and 75 Yards Ranges.
 Highest possible 600 points.
 Class A Miss Loureiro 57
 B Mrs. Murray Scott 54

In the 50 yards handicap competition shot on Thursday the winner of the second prize should have been given as Mrs. G. M. Harrison, and not Mrs. Ralphs.

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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

"NO TRACE OF PEACE"

GERMAN CHANCELLOR'S LAMENT.

AMSTERDAM, April 7.
Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Chancellor, in an extraordinary speech in the Reichstag yesterday, protesting against the British blockade, and threatening the utmost reprisals, said the speeches of Germany's enemies showed no trace of peace. Mr. Asquith considered the complete and final destruction of Prussian military power a condition preliminary to any peace negotiations.

"We have only one reply to that condition," said the German Chancellor, "and our sword must give it. If our enemies continue the human massacres and devastation of Europe, the blame lies with them. Germany must be solidly protected by the nations. We entered the struggle to defend ourselves. Now the position is changed. To go back is impossible."

He insisted that Poland must be a buffer state and Germany must have guarantees that Belgium will not become a base of France and England. The fate of the Colonies would be decided in the future. The Chancellor insisted that the peace must be a lasting one.

LATER.

The Chancellor's speech has caused anxiety and dissatisfaction in England, especially the weakness of its references in regard to Belgium.

P. & O. "SIMLA"

REIGNING SUNK.

LONDON, April 7.

The Daily Mail says it is reported that the P. & O. Simla has been sunk in the Mediterranean.

STEAMER SUNK.

LONDON, April 7.

The steamer Vesperia has been sunk, and all her crew drowned.

"TERRIBLE STRAFING" OF A ZEPPELIN.

LONDON, April 7.

People cheered the "terrible strafing" which the gunners gave to a Zeppelin last night on the North-east Coast.

The airship was apparently hit and her nose was seen to dip. Then she disappeared seaward, pursued by aeroplanes.

THE DOMINIONS AND THE TRADE CONFERENCE.

LONDON, April 7.

Mr. Asquith, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said he would gladly use the Australian Premier's services at the Trade Conference in Paris, but Mr. Hughes was leaving the country before the Conference could be held.

Mr. Hughes, however, states that the date of his departure is not yet fixed and his arrangements would not prevent his attendance at the Conference.

THE PAYMENT OF M.P.'S.

LONDON, April 7.

In the House of Commons a proposal by Sir F. Banbury against payment of members of the House of Commons was defeated by 237 votes to 22.

Mr. Bonar Law strongly deprecated raising such party questions in war time in order to embarrass the Government.

THE FRUIT SEASON.

BOWEN complaint is sure to be prevalent during the fruit season. Be sure to keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy on hand. It may save a life. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

THE DANGERS OF THE NORTH SEA.

DUTCH REFUSAL TO TRANSPORT INCAPACITATED PRISONERS.

LONDON, April 7.

The Dutch Government has notified the British Government that the passage of the North Sea is so dangerous that it is unable to undertake the transport of the exchanged British and German incapacitated prisoners, due to cross to-day.

MISCHIEF-MAKING IN HOLLAND.

GERMAN CONSUL'S BULLETINS.

LONDON, April 7.

It now appears that the excitement prevailing in Amsterdam last week was due to the German Consul who distributed bulletins stating that the British Government had sent an ultimatum to Holland.

The Consul lately explaining that he believed the information, which came from The Hague. He now hears that there is merely a possibility of such an ultimatum.

LATER.

The Het Volk (Amsterdam) demands the recall of the German Consul.

The railwayman have again been granted leave indicating that the crisis is less grave.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

PIERCE FIGHTING AT VERDUN.

PARIS, April 6.

Great enemy activity in the region of Verdun is recorded in today's French communiqué, which says that west of the Meuse, following a most violent bombardment in the region between Avocourt and Bethincourt, a series of attacks with the largest numbers were made on the two principal salients on this front. All the enemy attempts against the village of Bethincourt were broken by the French fire.

The enemy, after repeated reverses and bloody sacrifices, gained a footing in the village of Hancourt, which the French are keeping under fire from their dominating positions.

The French effected a successful attack north of Avocourt, and took much ground and numbers of prisoners.

East of the Meuse, two enemy attacks north of Bois Caillotte were repulsed with serious losses.

A French *compagnie* in Argonne inflicted considerable losses on the enemy.

HAND-TO-HAND FIGHTING AT DOUAMONT.

PARIS, April 7.

The evening communiqué says:—The Germans persistently bombarded the Bethincourt salient and Poivre Hill. This forested an attack, but our curtain of fire prevented the enemy from emerging.

Hand-to-hand fighting south-west of Douaumont Fort enabled us to advance to enemy trenches at a distance of 200 yards on a front of 300 yards.

There was artillery activity in Lorraine and in Woëvre.

STRUGGLE AT ST. ELOI.

CONTINUES THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

LONDON, April 7.

A British communiqué says that early in the morning, after a very heavy bombardment, the enemy attacked our new trenches at St. Eloi. There was fighting all through the day, and it still continues. A small hostile raiding party entered one of our trenches at Hooge, but was promptly ejected.

Both artilleries have been active about Lièven, Lens, and south of Boesinghe.

AEROPLANES FROM THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

LONDON, April 7.

In the House of Commons Mr. Bonar Law announced the gift of six more aeroplanes from the Straits Settlements and the Malay States, making 16 in all and also a second machine from Mr. Aime Baker, the organizer of the Fund.

ANOTHER ZEPPELIN RAID.

ONE RAIDER REPORTED HIT.

LONDON, April 6.

The War Office announces that three Zeppelins last night visited the coast. The first was driven off after dropping five bombs without causing any damage or casualties. Observers say the Zeppelin was hit by gunfire. The second appeared at another locality at sea in the evening, but no bombs were dropped. The third did slight damage. A total of 24 explosive and 24 incendiary bombs were dropped. One child was killed, and two men, two women and five children were injured. No military damage was done.

THE AIR COMMITTEE.

LONDON, April 6.

It is reported that Lord Derby has resigned the chairmanship of the Air Committee as he feels that as Director of Recruiting, he is unable to devote adequate time to the work; also that the powers of the Committee, which aimed at coordinating the Naval and Military air-services, are too small. It is stated the post may be offered to Lord Curzon.

GERMANY'S SUBMARINE WARFARE.

SPAIN PROTESTS.

MADRID, April 6.

Spain has protested to Germany against the torpedoing of the *Sussex* in which several Spaniards were lost and of the Spanish merchantman *Figo* in the Bay of Biscay.

GERMAN CALLOUSNESS.

NO ATTEMPT TO RESCUE.

LONDON, April 6.

The uparmed Manchester steamer *Zent* was torpedoed without warning and sunk. The Captain and ten of the crew were rescued; 49 were drowned and two died of injuries sustained in the explosion. Boats were launched, but capsized owing to the headway. The submarine's crew did not attempt to rescue them.

THE TORPEDOING OF THE "MINNEAPOLIS."

LONDON, April 6.

Eighty survivors of the *Minneapolis* arrived in London on the 27th and 30th March. They state that the liner was torpedoed amidships, the explosion killing twelve in the engine-room. The vessel sank in 40 hours. Many of the crew were thrown into the sea and were picked up after several hours. The submarine was not seen.

RUSSIAN BATTLESHIP ENCOUNTERS "BRESLAU."

RUSSIAN SUBMARINE'S GOOD WORK.

PETROGRAD, April 7.

In the Black Sea a submarine sank a steamer and eleven sailing vessels laden with coal. A battleship bombarded the *Breslau*, which fled.

THE RUSSIAN OPERATIONS.

PETROGRAD, April 7.

A communiqué says:—A Russian aviator brought down a German dirigible south-west of Dinik. There has been some fighting in the Upper Stryk region. The Russians occupied a village in which they seized land mines and much ammunition.

PRICES OF PIG-IRON FIXED.

LONDON, April 7.

It is officially announced that the Minister of Munitions has been considering the prices of the materials used and produced in the iron and steel industries, and has now fixed maximum prices for all classes of pig-iron based on the abnormal conditions prevailing.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE.

GOVERNMENT CONSIDERING IMPORTANT STEP.

LONDON, April 6.

The fact that the Government are considering the adoption of universal service is evident from a statement by Mr. Asquith in the House of Commons to-night. The Premier announced that the Government are examining figures of recruits obtainable under the present system and are estimating the further number that will be necessary. The Government will pay full regard to all the factors in the situation. He would announce the decision before Easter.

A MONTH OF AERIAL WARFARE.

GERMANS LOSE 35 AND FRENCH 13.

PARIS, April 7.

A communiqué says that during March the French aviators were most active and brought down 31 German machines, nine of which were in our lines, and four others were brought down by anti-aircraft guns. The French lost 13 machines, 12 of which fell in the German lines. The German aviators were ordered to fly as little as possible over the French lines.

BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

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MESOPOTAMIA CAMPAIGN.

NEW COMMANDER'S SUCCESS.

FIVE LINES OF TURKISH TRENCHES CARRIED.

LONDON, April 6.

The War Office announces that the Tigris Corps, under the command of Lieut.-General Goringe, who has succeeded Major-General Aylmer, attacked Umelbannah. Our trenches had been pushed forward by 200 to 300 yards of the enemy's positions. The leading battalions of the 13th Division then rushed the enemy's first and second lines.

The third line was captured by six o'clock in the morning. Under the support of a concentrated artillery and machine-gun fire, the 13th Division continued its victorious advance, and drove the Turks from their fourth and fifth lines by seven o'clock in the morning.

Aeroplane reported that the enemy was strongly reinforcing his entrenchments at Falahiyah and Fannay Yat, respectively 6,000 and 12,000 yards from Umelbannah.

As these positions could only be approached over the most open ground General Goringe ordered further attack to be deferred until the evening.

In the meantime General Keary's 3rd Division had captured the trenches opposite Falahiyah.

The enemy's counter-attack in the afternoon with infantry, cavalry and guns, was repulsed.

General Goringe in the evening advanced on the left bank and carried the Falahiyah positions.

ANTI-RUMANIAN CAMPAIGN IN BULGARIA.

RUMANIA MAKES REPRESENTATIONS TO THE ENTENTE.

BUKHAREST, April 7.

Rumania is annoyed at the persistent anti-Rumanian campaign in the Bulgarian Press. The Bulgarian Minister at Bucharest is accused of provoking agitation against Rumania, and has acquired territory at Dobruja, and news is also published to the effect that six Bulgarian divisions have been despatched to threaten Dobruja.

The Rumanian public demand the Bulgarian Minister's recall. The Rumanian Government has called the attention of the Entente Cabinets to the sentiments of Bulgaria. BULGARIA'S MENACING TONE.

BUKHAREST, April 6.
The Rumanian Parliament is remaining in session owing to the critical situation which has arisen with Bulgaria. The latter is adopting a menacing tone. The Rumanian Government are taking all measures to deal in the quickest manner with any possible surprise by Bulgarian troops.

"TAKATA-MARU"—"SILVER SHELL" COLLISION.

In the Probate, Divorce, and Admiralty Division, before Mr. Justice Baygrave Deane, sitting with two of the Elder Brethren of the Trinity House, an action was heard arising out of a collision during a fog in the North Atlantic Ocean between the oil tank steamer *Silver Shell*, belonging to the Shell Company, of California, and the liner *Takata Maru*, owned by the Nippon Kaisha Kaisha. The collision took place on Feb. 1 when the *Silver Shell*, was bound from New York to Dunkirk with 8,000 tons of benzine. The *Takata Maru*, which was on a voyage from London to New York with general cargo, was struck on the starboard side by the stem and starboard of the *Silver Shell*. She sustained much damage that she foundered.

His Lordship pronounced both vessels equally to blame for proceeding at an excessive speed in the fog, and decreed that each side should bear a moiety of the total damages.

MANCHESTER PIECE GOODS TRADE.

Messrs James F. Hutton and Co., Ltd., Manchester, is their report dated March 2nd says:—

Spinners have not been buying to any extent and speculative business is on the quiet side. We however seem to be nearer something like steadiness for the raw material and probably when the basis becomes more certain there will be an increase in demand. Sentiment at present is still inclined to be "bearish" and the trade seems to think that sooner or later holders will weaken from the weight of cotton they are carrying, and lower prices will be seen. The stock of cotton at Liverpool is apparently quite adequate to meet what demand there is, and less is now heard of difficulties on account of shortage of supply there, and with fair quantities shortly to arrive, a slight weakening has been the result.

There has been a fair amount of business done in Piece Goods for China which has come as a welcome relief to the stagnation which has continued for a month past. Bleaching, Shirtings and Fancies generally have been done, while Grey Shirtings are now being enquired for at low figures, but limits will no doubt soon be increased when it is found impossible to come to terms at present prices. The bulk of the business done however seems to have gone to makers who spin their own yarn, which firms are inclined to base on lower yarn prices in order to keep their looms running. Those makers who have to go to Spinners are bound to quote on the basis of dear yarns and find themselves considerably out in price even without putting on a small margin of profit.

AFFAIRS IN CHINA.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

JAPAN AND THE CHINESE SALT REVENUE.

PEKING, April 7.

Japan has taken a serious step, with-holding from China the surplus salt revenue amounting to 2,500,000 deposited in the Yokohama Specie Bank, on the plea that the critical situation in China is endangering the salt revenues. It is understood that the British, Russian, French, and German Banks have not refused to hand over their amounts in accordance with the Loan Agreement.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

THE INDEPENDENCE OF KWANGTUNG.

RECEPTION OF THE NEWS IN PEKING.

PEKING, April 8.

General Chang Kwong's report has been received. He says that owing to the force of public opinion he has been compelled to declare independence. The Cantonese in the capital are arranging to celebrate the event.

It is reported that the Province of Hunan declared its independence yesterday. Confirmation is expected at any moment.

THE ARMED MERCHANTMEN.

AMERICAN ADMIRAL CATECHISED.

ADMIRAL CAMERON McRae Winslow

U.S.N., commander-in-chief of the U.S. Pacific fleet, gave evidence recently before the House Committee on Naval Affairs. The subject of armed merchantmen was very fully introduced into the proceedings of the Naval Committee by Representative Fred A. Bristles, republican, of Illinois, who believes that armed merchantmen should have the status of men-of-war.

Representative Lemuel P. Fudge, democrat, of Tennessee, chairman of the committee, was anxious to prevent this discussion in the committee, but Mr. Bristles took the chairman unawares.

Mr. Bristles suggested that Rear Admiral Albert W. Grant, U.S.N., had told the committee that the German submarines had done their most effective work within six miles of the ships they attacked and had fired their torpedoes at a distance of only one thousand yards.

"I heard of an instance where the firing was done at a distance of two hundred yards," said Admiral Winslow.

Mr. Bristles got the officer to say that the submarine before attacking a single ship would try to get very close to it without being observed, and then attack.

"Under those conditions it would not require a large gun to sink a submarine, would it?"

"It would not," replied the Admiral. "Then any small gun such as a rapid fire gun or a one-pounder would do?"

"Yes." "Then a one pounder or a rapid fire gun would destroy a submarine as quickly and as effectively as if the same gun were mounted on board a battle ship, assuming the gun to be mounted on board a merchant ship?"

"A one-pounder projectile would seriously injure a submarine and might destroy it," said the Admiral.

"And there is no question that it would destroy it, is there?"

"I said it might destroy it—it is not certain to destroy it. It would be certain to penetrate it."

"When a merchant ship is armed with a gun of such a size is it not a war ship?"

"I am not an international lawyer and I do not think it proper for me to answer that question."

"Where would you draw the line between a war ship and a merchantman if both were armed?"

"As I said before, that is not a naval question, but one of international law."

Mr. Bristles asked several other questions, each one of which was designed to get the officer's opinion on the legal question, and finally he said:—

"I might say that I have studied some international law and I have an opinion on this matter, but I do not think it proper for me to express it at a time like this, when the question is so acute."

"The President is the best judge of that question and the only one to determine it," remarked Mr. Fudge.

"Excellent," the President replied. "The Admiral looked relieved when the discussion got back to naval matters."

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MALTA	April 7	KHIVA	May 8	May 18
NAGOYA	April 21	MOOLITAN	May 22	May 29
NANKIN	May 5	KASHGAR	June 5	June 13
NOVARA	May 19	KARMALA	June 19	June 26
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BIG AMERICAN SHIPPING PROJECT.

NEW TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE PROJECTED.

New York, February 24th.

A new shipping combination which is to carry the American flag back into the transpacific service was announced yesterday by the firm of Gaston, Williams and Wigmore Inc., well known in the financial district and abroad as buying agents for several of the allied Governments. The new company will have a capitalization of \$5,000,000 and a fleet of about fourteen ships to start with. It is incorporated under the laws of Delaware, and it is planned to have both an Atlantic and a Pacific route, it is understood that the large share of the shipping will be in the Pacific.

The Pacific route will be from San Francisco to points in Japan, China, and Russia. The port of call in Russia will be Vladivostok; in China it will be Shanghai. In the Atlantic service the ships are to run from New York to Archangel, when that port is open to navigation, and it is probable that shipments also will be made to English and European ports in competition with English, French, and other shipping companies.

The name of the new company will be the Gaston, Williams and Wigmore Steamship Corporation, with George A. Gaston, head of the purchasing firm, as President of the new company. James A. Wigmore, N. J. Boulton, William H. Williams, and R. H. Lee Martin, all connected with the same firm, will be officials of the company. These men will be on the Board of Directors, and the only other Director elected is Charles H. Sabia, President of the Guaranty Trust Company. This banking institution, it has been generally understood has financed Gaston, Williams and Wigmore, Inc., from the beginning of the war.

Details of the company's organization have not been announced. It was said, however, that there would be no stock flotation. All the stock, it was said, had been subscribed by those connected with the company, indicating that the company was a close corporation. While the major part of the business will be derived from the exports of Gaston, Williams and Wigmore, Inc., it was announced that available shipping space would be sold to the general public.

FLEET'S GROWTH RAPID.

Gaston, Williams and Wigmore, Inc., is a new concern, comparatively, in New York City. Starting with a working capital of \$1,000 at the beginning of the war in Europe, the firm has established offices in London, Petrograd, Paris, Rome, and Havana. The organization, at first, was merely nominal. The company had orders for \$15,000,000 when it opened for business. It is closely affiliated with Gaston, Williams and Wigmore, Ltd., of Canada, which was organized to operate vessels flying the English and Canadian flags, and which it was announced yesterday, was about to increase its capital stock to \$1,000,000.

The New York Company, known as the parent organization, employs several hundred persons in its offices in the Guaranty Trust Building, and is reported to have made millions exporting war supplies in large lots to the Allies. A statement was handed out yesterday afternoon by Hillard J. Rosencrantz, Director of the Far Eastern Division of Gaston, Williams and Wigmore, Inc., that the company already had taken over six vessels as a nucleus of its shipping fleet. They are the Virginia, which, according to Lloyd's Register, is a steel screw steamer of 4,300 tons; the Lord Dufferin, a steel screw steamer of 1,664 tons; the Carolyn, a steel screw steamer of 3,141 tons; the Eskason, a steel screw steamer of 2,761 tons; the Maryland, a steel screw steamer of 4,731 tons; and the O. H. Brown, which does not appear in Lloyd's.

According to The New York Maritime Register the Maryland is at London, the Eskason at Alexandrovsk, the Lord Dufferin at New York, the Virginia at Narvik, en route to Archangel, and the O. H. Brown at New York.

OTHER SHIPS BUILDING.

In addition to the new shipping combination, is taking over two ships of 6,000 tons each, which are now building. The names of these are not given. Six other ships, the names of which are not disclosed, have been chartered, and four more, making the total eighteen, are to be built as soon as the new corporation is well under way. The company will also take over contracts recently obtained by Gaston, Williams and Wigmore to deliver large cargo steamers built by the Great Lakes Engineering Works.

No schedule of sailings were given out, but it was announced that Mr. Rosencrantz and J. J. Keegan, one of the managers of the Far Eastern Division,

would leave for China on March 25th to establish an office for the company in the Far East. It was suggested that Shanghai would be selected.

Mr. Rosencrantz and Mr. Keegan lived for many years in China and Japan before the firm of Gaston, Williams and Wigmore, Inc., was organized, and are well acquainted with conditions in the Orient.

The object for which this company was formed was primarily to handle the shipping business of Gaston, Williams and Wigmore, Inc., said Mr. Gaston yesterday. "This company now handles a large volume of freight between the Ports of New York, Archangel, Vladivostok, London, France, Spain, Portugal, Cape Town, and other ports."

The Pacific route will lead from San Francisco to points in Japan, China, and Russia. In the Atlantic service it is probable that shipments also will be made to other European ports besides Archangel in competition with English, French, and other shipping companies.

SOME PASSENGER SHIPS.
The understanding is that most of the ships in the Pacific service will be freighters, while some of those crossing the Atlantic may carry passengers.

In restoring the American flag to transpacific service, said Mr. Rosencrantz yesterday, "we expect to develop the trade to the fullest possible extent. The flag left the Pacific except in coast service, when the Pacific Mail sold its ships. Gaston, Williams and Wigmore, Inc., has been making shipments to China, Japan, and Far Eastern ports, and after its ships are placed in operation, will transport its commodities in its own bottoms. The expectation is that our Far Eastern branch will be an important one in our organization."

It is not now known definitely when the two new ships now building for the corporation will be finished, but they are expected to be ready about the Spring of 1917.

THE BRITISH NAVY.

The magnitude of the work going on in the navy is shown in a letter from the Admiralty to Sir Gilbert Parker answering his inquiry in the House of Commons on the number of persons engaged in all branches of the navy and of naval work.

The letter states that the navy proper had 146,000 officers and men when the war began, which number has now increased to 320,000, with the authority granted for a further increase to 350,000 officers and men, besides 67,000 naval reserves. There are also 86,000 men engaged in work at royal dockyards and other naval establishments and several times that number on Admiralty work under contract and sub-contract.

Besides the latter specific men engaged in getting coal for the fleet, dock-side workers and civilian crews of colliers, oilers, mine sweepers, supply ships, etc., and in addition men and women engaged in making clothing and preparing food for the fleet.

Mr. T. J. Macnamara, Financial Secretary of the Admiralty, added:

"If I asked to put the matter in a sentence, I should say that for every man in the navy, of whom there are something like 300,000, there are certainly two persons, and possibly even three, at work on ship construction, repairing and contributing to the general efficiency and fighting ability of the fleet."

An aggregate of more than a million persons engaged in various branches of naval work is thus shown.

PEACE-LOVERS AND THE WAR.

THEY WALK OFF WITH THE MONEY.

"It is one of the remarkable results of war that those who avoid being entangled in it enjoy its profits," writes Roy Lord William Gascoigne Cecil in the "Star."

"One group of nations bleed and are vanquished, a second group of nations bleed and are victorious, a third do not bleed—and put all the money into their pockets."

"I do not blame them, for they can scarcely avoid doing it; in fact, as a Christian one almost looks upon it as a thing for which we should thank God, for if the victors could accompany their song of triumph with the chink of gold, war would become such a popular thing that civilization would exist to the accompaniment of the drum-fire of big guns and the crash of falling buildings. The hope of civilization lies in this fact, that when the victor has sung his psalm of triumph and the vanquished his dirge of woe, the peace-lovers walk off with the money."

In this case it will be especially true, because of the terrible cruelty and ferocity of this war.

Every roge in Europe will take its ticket for Alsace while the patriot will hang on to the old country; and the

wealth of the States will bring them face to face with new difficulties of which at present they are only vaguely aware.

"America will be in danger of sinking into the slough of luxury."

"Vice kills more than war, and pleasure enervates more than defeat. For the mind of self-indulgent men does not want war. Wealthy America will be face to face with the worst evils of Western civilization. Children will become fewer, the men more prodigal, the women more pleasure-loving till America falls, like Europe, into some great cataclysm, or, like the people of ancient Rome, she loses her identity in the crowd of promiscuous foreigners who fly to enjoy her wealth and plunder her voices."

"This war may be the salvation of Europe, though it may bring commercial ruin, for in Europe we had begun to think that pleasure was the end-all of life. Work was the unpleasant interlude necessary to procure the wherewithal to get pleasure, and now money is leaving us, pleasure must leave us, too. But not happiness; for that is the great difference. Poverty only brings misery when it carries with it a sense of shame, but when it comes as the result of duty, its very rage will seem a robe of honour."

SHANGHAI STOCK EXCHANGE.

Latest Quotations by Mail.

SHANGHAI, April 1st.	
OFFICIAL.	
Shai Municipals (1913) 6%	101.
Dobbs	73.
Shanghai Docks	74.
Anglo Dutch	15.
Anglo Siam	15.
Bates	2.95.
Gales "B"	12.75.
Kata Bahros	15.
Krookrooks	22.50.
Teapings	3.70.
Zhangs	8.75.

DEBENTURES REPORTED.

Anglo Dutch	7.30.
Gales "B"	12.75.
Sua Mangia	8.35.
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11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.	Every 15 minutes.
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